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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
GILLES MERLE, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: 10/541,510 :  
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FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR :  
SECURING SCRAMBLED DATA :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

Prior to first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.